mage

Atty. Dkt No. 32405R096



**PATENT** 

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Tadashi MASUDA

Serial No.:

10/028,713

Group Art Unit: 1744

Filed:

December 28, 2001

Examiner: Unassigned

For

WIPER ASSEMBLY FOR VEHICLE

## SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicant is enclosing an Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449) which lists the references cited in the European Search Report issued for corresponding European Appln. No. EP 01 31 0858 dated July 16, 2003.

Applicant certifies that each item of information now submitted in this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the IDS. U.S. Patent Application No. 6,505,376 is a family member of DE 19833488, and U.S. Publication No. 2001011831 is a family member of EP 1122137.

A first Official Action has not yet issued for this application. Therefore, it is believed that no fees are due under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(b)(3).

Respectfully submitted, SMITH, GAMBRELL & RUSSELL, LLP

Bv:

Dennis C. Rodgers, Reg. No. 32,936

1850 M Street, N.W., Suite 800

Washington, D.C. 20036

Telephone: (202) 659-2811 Facsimile: (202) 263-4329

January 7, 2004

/	6	ΙP	E	6
PA	JAN	0.7	2004	11 B)
14	V. 8.17	FC	RM	2/ 10-1

449

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

ATTY. DOCKET 32405R096 SERIAL NO.

10/028,713

APPLICANT:

Tadashi MASUDA

FILING DATE

GROUP ART UNIT 1744

**December 28, 2001** 

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*Examiner's		DOCUMENT	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB-	FILING DATE,
Initials		NUMBER				CLASS	IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	5,960,512	10/5/99	Schael et al.			
	AB	2001011831	8/9/01	Ohashi et al.			Copending application
	AC	6,505,376	1/14/03	Kagawa			
	AD						
	AE				Tilger)		
	AF						
	AG						

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

					**			
*Examiner's Initials		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB- CLASS	TRANSL/ YES	ATION NO
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	АН	EP 1 122 137	8/8/01	EPO				
	Al	DE 1 983 3488	1/28/99	Germany	_			
	AJ	EP 0 739 792	10/30/96	EPO				
	AK							
	AL							
	AM							
	AN					-		1
	AO							
	AP							
	1							

	OTHE	A INFUNIVIATION	(including Au	mor, Title, Date, Fertinent Fage:	S, ElG./
	ΔQ				
	AR				
	AS			<u> </u>	
	AT				
EXAMINER:	<u> </u>			DATE CONSIDERED:	
II .					

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.